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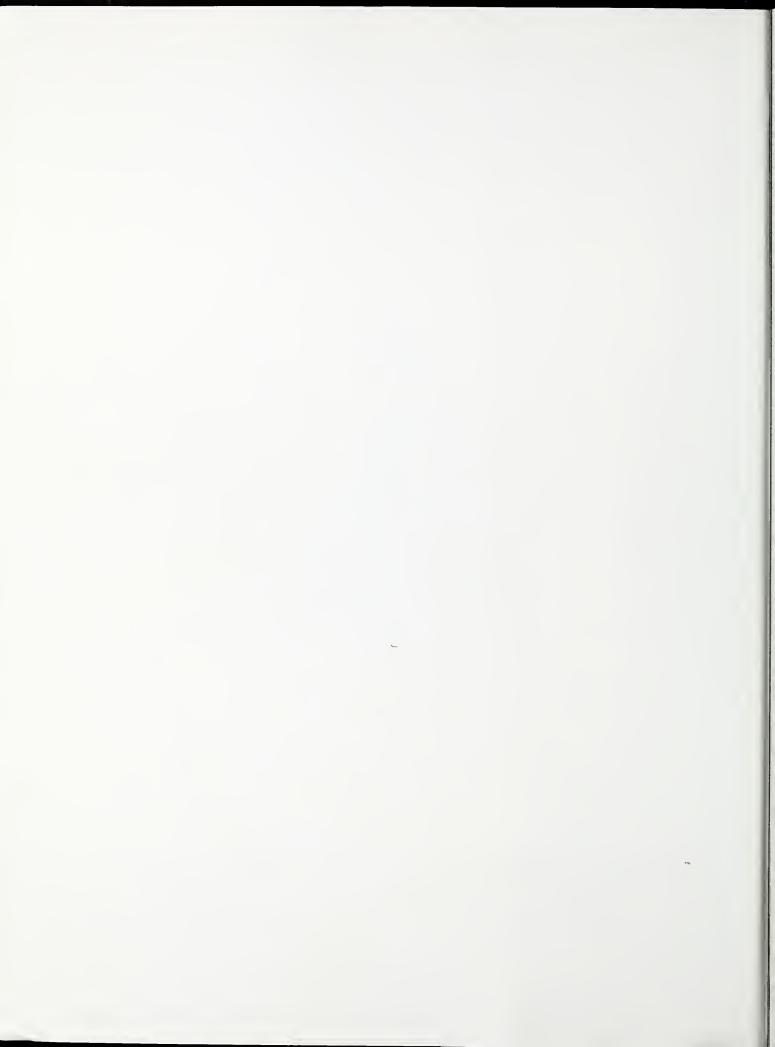
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## Welcome to the Annual Reunion of The Oakwood College Family!

In spite of the economic climate, Oakwood has continued, by the grace of God, its steady climb to national and international acclaim. Not the least of our blessings are:

- 1. The reaffirmation of our accreditation for another 10 years.
- 2. The thousands of you who have come to celebrate our special weekend, and
- 3. The scores of thousands back home who are supporting our cause with their prayers and gifts.

All of these factors testify clearly that it is possible for institutions as well as persons "to grow in stature" and to increase in favor with God and man."

You are a part of our corporate success — WELCOME HOME!!





The Officers of the National Alumni Association welcome all of our alumni and friends to the 25th Annual Homecoming.

I personally, look forward to Homecoming each year as it reminds me of a yearly family reunion with those I love and cherish. I am sure that most of us, if not all, share these same sentiments.

As officers of the National Alumni, we have a grave responsibility toward our youth. When we look back from whence we have come, we can thank God for the accomplishments made through His guidance and

work toward the encouragement of those who follow us in directing their steps to a successful future.

A year has passed since I have served in the capacity of President of the National Alumni Association, and to date, the response from the field and the Executive Committee has made me more confident that God has not forgotten Oakwood. I am grateful for the effort and support. Another year will reveal even greater results toward the spiritual and scholastic achievements we hope for our youth to attain. God bless you in every way and keep the Spirit of Oakwood alive in your hearts.

Chlora Jones, President National Alumni Association





### Dear Homecoming Pilgrim:

Thank you for your demonstration of support to a very special place in the hearts of thousands - Oakwood College. For the past ninety-six years, young people from across the nation and around the world have come to experience the preparation, the inspiration, and the fellowship that distinguish Oakwood from everywhere else. The Oakwood experience is recognizably unique.

Homecoming '92 is our twenty-fifth homecoming celebration, and it commemorates Oakwood's contribution in the field of educational, social, and spiritual development since its inception in 1896. You are a major part of this celebration and your presence is a living tribute to our Dear O.C.

Once again I wish to echo my personal appreciation for the support your attendance, encouraging expressions, and financial assistance affords Oakwood. You are to be commended for being a vital and active participant in keeping the Oakwood flame burning brightly for our young people presently and for years to come. I love you for what you are doing for my special place, and I am confident that God is blessing you for your dedication and generosity to His special place -- Oakwood College.

Your humble servant,

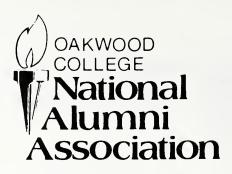
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(If you wish to have the name of your loved one listed on the Alumni Homecoming Memorial Page, please send the name to the Memorial Committee by January 15, 1993 to:—

Mrs. Sarah Merideth Lester, Secretary 2851 Manola Drive Columbus, OH 43209

### HOMECOMING 1992 — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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TIME	EVENT AND LOCATION	COORDINATOR
	THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1992	
8:00 a.m4:00 p.m.	Asso. of Black SDA Nurses (ABAN) Meeting-President's Dining Rm.	K. Bradley
9:00 a.m.	Golf Tournament, Goose Pond (Scottsboro, AL)	L. Ross
10:00 a.m.	Basketball Tournament, O.C. Ashby Gym	Douglas/Phillips/Paschal
12:00 p.m.	C-100 Board Meeting, Wade Hall	T. Cantrell/G. Millet
2:00-4:00 p.m.	Alumni Registration, O.C. Blake Center	Pullins/Preston
7:00 p.m.	UNCF Banquet, VBCC (North Hall)	M. Davis
1	Speaker: William H. Gray, III, President & Chief Exec. Officer UNCF	
	FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1992	
8:00 A.M.	Golf Tournament, Goose Pond (Scottsboro, AL)	L. Ross
8:00 a.m4:00 p.m.	Tennis Tournament, O.C. Tennis Court	W. Wout
8:00 a.m2:00 p.m.	ABAN Conference	K. Bradley
8:00 a.m4:00 p.m.	Black Educators' Conference & Workshops, Anna Knight Bldg.	F. Bliss
3:30 a.m12:00 p.m.	Rhyne Medical Symposium, O.C. Science Complex	V. Duncan
9:00 a.m.	Basketball Tournament, O.C. Ashby Gym	Douglas/Phillips/Paschal
9:00 a.m5:00 p.m.	Alumni Registration, O.C. Blake Center	Pullins/Preston
-	Museum/Oakwood Heritage Moments, O.C. Library	M. Dixon
1:00-3:00 p.m.	Alumni Officers' Business Session, O.C. Blake Center Conf. Rm.	C. Jones
6:30 p.m.	Vesper, O.C. Church	
	Speaker: Elder Al Freeman	L. Paschal
7:30 p.m.	Mini Concert O.C. Church	R. Foster
8:00 p.m.	Friday Night Musical, VBCC Arena	S. Cox
8:30 p.m.	Religious Forum, O.C. Church Speaker: Elder E. E. Cleveland	C. Crider
	SABBATH, APRIL 18, 1992	
9:00 a.m.	Sabbath School, VBCC Arena	E. Woods, Jr.
9:00 a.m.	Youth Sabbath School, VBCC Concert Hall	D. Edmond/A. Medley
11:00 a.m.	Divine Worship, VBCC Arena	2. 20
Troo uniii	Speaker: Dr. Rosa T. Banks	C. Jones
1:00 a.m.	Youth Divine Worship, VBCC Concert Hall	D. Edmond/A. Medley
1.00 u.m.	Speaker: Elder G. Russell Seay, Jr.	D. Edinold/11. Wedley
4:30 p.m.	Alumni Awards/Musical, VBCC North Hall	E. L. Williamson
6:30-7:00 p.m.	Vesper: 1992 Senior Class, VBCC Concert Hall	R. Murphy
3:00 p.m.	Presidential Gala, VBCC North Hall	F. Pullins
3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Basketball Game, VBCC Arena	Douglas/Phillips/Paschal
	SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 1992	
8:00 a.m5:00 p.m.	Tennis Tournament, O.C. Tennis Court	M. Wout
10:00 a.m.	Senior Class Breakfast for Class of '82	Wilson
3:00 a.m2:00 p.m.		
•	Assoc. of Black Nurses (ABAN) Meeting, President's Dining Rm.	Bradley/Britton
10:00 a.m.	Basketball Tournament, O.C. Ashby Gymn	Douglas/Phillips/Paschal
-	Museum/Oakwood Heritage Moments, O.C. Library	M. Dixon
	Home Economic Breakfast, O.C. Science Complex (By Invitation)	R. Davis
10:00a.m12:00p.m.	General Alumni Business Session, O.C. Science Complex Chapel	C. Jones

NATIONAL ALUMNI PRESIDENT: Mrs. Chlora A. Jones GENERAL HOMECOMING COORDINATOR: Mr. Fred A. Pullins REVISED: 3/19/92

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# Vesper Service

### Friday, April 17, 1992 6:30 p.m. OAKWOOD COLLEGE CHURCH

Pianist: Ms. Alta Holder, '92 Organist: Mrs. Valerie Washington



SONG SERVICE Ms. Simone Jubert, '92
OPENING SONG
INVOCATION Elder Walter M. Starks, '42
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
SPECIAL MUSIC
OFFERING Elder J. P. Willis, '52
SCRIPTURE READING Mr. Gregory Mims, '62
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER
MEDITATION
SERMON Elder Al Freeman, '82
CLOSING SONG Mrs. Annell Wright, '52
BENEDICTION Elder Lee A. Paschal  President/Emeritus, National Alumni Association

Program Chairperson: ELDER LEE A. PASCHAL Madison, TN

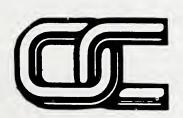
## Sabbath School Program

### Sabbath, April 18, 1992 — 9:00-10:30 a.m. VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER ARENA

MRS. VIVIAN HOLLAND JOSEPH '62, Superintendent

Pianist: Elder Vernon H. Jenkins	Organist: Mr. James Wilson
MOMENTS OF MEDITATION	Pianist/Organist
SONG SERVICE	Ms. Myra Kay, '92
OPENING SONG	Mr. Lester Valentine, '42
PRAYER	. Mr. Michael Meriweather '72
WELCOME	Dr. Oliver Davis, '52
SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS	Mrs. Vivian H. Joseph, '62
SECRETARY'S REPORT	Mrs. Connie Mayfield, '52
MISSION EMPHASIS	Mrs. Udell Darville, '52
SPECIAL MUSIC	Mrs. Nancy Dudley
OFFERING	Elder Gabe Taylor, '62
SPECIAL MUSIC	Step Up To Happiness
LESSON STUDY	Elder Bobby Waters, '82 Elder Michael Ross, '82
REMARKS	Mrs. Vivian H. Joseph, '62
CLOSING PRAYER	Mr. Richard S. Norman rer, National Alumni Association

Program Chairperson
Mr. Edward Woods, Jr., Berrien Springs, MI



## Divine Worship Speaker



DR. ROSA TAYLOR BANKS

ur Divine Worship Speaker, Dr. Rosa Taylor Banks, was born in Gainsville, Florida, one of twelve children of Eddie and Albertha Taylor. After completing high school, she attended Florida Community College, Florida A & M, and Oakwood College where she received her B.S. Degree in 1967. She continued her education at University of Pittsburgh earning both a Master's and a Doctor's Degree in Business Education and Higher Education.

Dr. Banks returned to her alma mater, Oakwood College and served in many capacities: instructor in accounting, typewriting, shorthand, and office practice and human relations courses while serving as department head. She advanced steadily in her professional career and became assistant to the president, Director of Institutional Advancement, Vice President — Administration and Development, Executive Asst. to the president.

In 1989-90 she became Field Secretary of the General Conference of S.D.A. and Director of the Office of Human Relations. Presently, she serves as an Associate Secretary of North American Division/Director of Human Relations.

Our speaker has a long line of achievements: First female officer of Oakwood college, first female Vice President of Oakwood College, first female General Field Secretary of General Conference, first female Department Head of North American Division, first Black female officer of North American Division, Credentialed Commissioned minister of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

A partial list of awards for Dr. Banks include: Who's Who Among Women, UNCF Distinguished Service Award, Southern Union Woman's Commissioner, Distinguished Service Award — Oakwood Board of Trustee, Ministries for Christian Women Award.

Dr. Banks is a member of many professional organizations. She is a member of The Breath of Life Seventh-day Adventist Church in Washington, D.C.

Despite her busy schedule and many accomplishments, Dr. Banks takes time to be a faithful wife to her husband, Halsey Banks and a committed mother to her children: Kevin, Karmala, and Marcellus (nephew).

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Organist: Mr. James Wilson



Pianist: Mrs. Bettye P. Willis

## Divine Worship

### Sabbath, April 18, 1992 11:00 a.m.

#### VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER ARENA

CHLORA A. JONES, Program Chairperson

**PRELUDE INTROIT** CALL TO WORSHIP ...... Dr. Rosa Taylor Banks, Associate Secretary/Director Office of Human Relations, General Conference of S.D.A. MUSIC ...... Oakwood College Aeolians WELCOME ..... Mrs. Chlora A. Jones. President, Oakwood College National Alumni Association Dr. Benjamin Reaves, President, Oakwood College Elder Eric C. Ward, Pastor, Oakwood College Church Elder Meade Van Putten, Vice Chairman, Oakwood College Board Mr. Thomas Felder, Jr., United Student Movement President RESPONSE & ANNOUNCEMENTS . . . . . . Fred A. Pullins Alumni Affairs Director & Homecoming Coordinator Elder Calvin Watkins Personal Ministries, Community Services Inner City, South Atlantic Conference IN MEMORIAM ..... Elder I. A. Christian, Chaplain, National Alumni Association Mrs. Sarah M. Lester Chapter President, Columbus Ohio HYMN OF WORSHIP ..... Ms. Dolores K. Etter Recording Secretary, National Alumni Association SCRIPTURE ...... Mr. Michael E. Jones, Esq. Sergeant-At-Arms, National Alumni Association PRAYER ..... Elder Ralph Peay President, South Atlantic Conference OFFERING ...... Elder Delbert Baker, Editor, Message Magazine MUSIC ..... Oakwood College Aeolians INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ...... Ms. Eardell J. Rashford, Esq. Parliamentarian, National Alumni Association MEDITATION ..... Elder & Mrs. Kirk Thompson SERMON ..... Dr. Rosa Taylor Banks

South Atlantic Regional Vice President, National Alumni Association

Public Relations, National Alumni Association



### 1992 HONOREES

Family of the Year ......THE HAROLD PALMERS

#### **CERTIFICATE OF MERIT:**

South Central ......SUSIE F. SHURNEY

#### AWARDS COMMITTEE

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DOLORES ETTER

Plagues: EDNA LETT WILLIAMSON, DOLORES ETTER

### Awards Program

### Sabbath, April 18, 1992 — 4:30 p.m. VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER CONCERT HALL

MRS. EDNA LETT WILLIAMSON, Chairperson



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OPENING SONG	"To Thee Our Dear Oakwood"
INVOCATION	Elder Ivan A. Christian
GREETINGS	Mrs. Edna Lett Williamson
MUSIC Aeolian Alumni Chorus	Alma Blackmon, Directress

### Presentation of New Life Members

MRS. YVONNE BUTLER, MRS. LOUVENCE COOK, MRS. UDELL DARVILLE, MRS. ANTOINETTE GARRETT, MRS. JENNIE WATSON

### PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL HONOREES CERTIFICATE OF MERIT HONOREES

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT HONOREES
ALLEGHENY EAST
ALLEGHENY WEST
CENTRAL STATES
LAKE REGION Mr. Anthony Donatto
Mrs. Lizzie L. Strange
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Dr. Oliver Davis
SOUTHEASTERN Mr. Christopher Howard
Mrs. Ruth Stokes
SOUTHWEST REGION Mr. Ted Robinson
Mrs. Mandy Martin
MUSIC
ALUMNA OF THE YEAR Mrs. Deirdre Crawford Robinson
Mrs. Chlora Jones & Mr. Fred Pullins
ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR Elder Stafford H. Byers, Esq.
Mrs. Chlora Jones & Mr. Fred Pullins FAMILY OF THE YEAR
Mrs. Chlora Jones & Mr. Fred Pullins
PRESIDENT'S AWARD
Mrs. Chlora Jones
MUSIC
MESSAGE MAGAZINE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
SPECIAL RECOGNITION Elder Lee A. Paschal / Elder Sherman Cox Editor, Elder Delbert Baker
INDUCTION OF NEW ALUMNI CHAPTERS Mrs. Chlora Jones
BENEDICTION Elder Lee A. Paschal

## Sabbath Vesper Service

### Sabbath, April 18, 1992 — 6:30 p.m. VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER CONCERT HALL

OPENING PRAYER Stanley Hughes
WELCOME
SPECIAL MUSIC Pattie Miller
SELECTED
FOURTH COMMANDMENT Dollis Henry
REMARKS Renee Murphy  Senior Class President
BENEDICTION Cara Stanley

Program Chairperson
RENEE MURPHY, Senior Class President



# 1992 Alumnus of the Year PASTOR STAFFORD H. BYERS

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Pastor Stafford Henderson Byers I, is the eigth of eleven children born to Mr. Adrian Byers and Mrs. Beatrice Byers, originally from the Caribbean Island of Antigua, now of Brooklyn, New York.

Pastor Byers is a 1980 Summa Cum Laude graduate of Oakwood College with the Bachelor of Arts Degree, majoring in Theology, and minoring in Biblical Languages (Greek and Hebrew) and History. In 1982 he completed the M.Div. (Master of Divinity) Degree at Andrews University, graduating in 1983, and is currently enrolled in the D.Min. (Doctor of Ministry) Program at the same institution. In 1989 he completed the J.D. (Juris Doctor) Law Degree at Yeshivah University's Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in New York City. In December 1991, he completed the LL.M. Degree in Taxation at the University of Bridgeport School of Law in Connecticut.

While at Oakwood College, Pastor Byers was active in the International Student Organization which he served as Vice President during the 1978-79 school year. He was also Academic Vice President of the United Student Movement of Oakwood College during the 1979-80 school year. During his senior year in college, he was one of two student representatives on the Administrative Council, and was the student representative on the Academic Policies Committee of Oakwood College. In 1979 he became the first Oakwood student to serve as President of the Student Arm of the Alabama Consortium of Higher Education (an Association of the nine predominantly Black Colleges and Universities in Alabama).

Academically, Pastor Byers was also very active at Oakwood. He was a Greek Reader

and Tutor in the Religion Department under Professor James Melancon. He was the recipient of the Homiletics Award and the Award for the Religion and Theology Student graduating with highest honors in 1980.

At Andrews University he served as Vice President of the Black Students' Association of the Seminary, and in 1981, received The Outstanding Young Men of America Award. Upon his graduation from Cardozo School of Law, he received one of three Alumni Awards for all-round performance in Law School. Pastor Byers is a member of the Bar and is admitted to practice Law in the State of New York. Along with his brother, Eugene (also an alumnus of Oakwood College, and a practicing Attorney in New York) and others, he has co-authored two hornbooks — one on Civil Procedure, and the other on Constitutional Law, for Blond's Law Guides.

He holds professional membership in The American Bar Association; the New York State Bar Association; The New York County Bar Association; and the Nassau County Bar Association. He also holds membership in the New Rochelle Branch of the NAACP; the Freeport Branch of the NAACP and the Freeport Democratic Club.

Since completing his seminary studies, Pastor Byers has been serving in the Northeastern Conference as the Associate Pastor of the Ephesus Church in Harlem, New York, 1982-1984; Pastor of the Bethany Church in Westbury, Long Island, New York, 1984-86; Pastor of the New Rochelle Church in New Rochelle, New York, 1986-1992; and since February of this year, Pastor of the First White Plains Church in White Plains, New York.

Pastor Byers was instrumental in raising up the church in Jamestown, New York in 1980 along with Elder Robert Lister. He is a regular camp meeting speaker not only in the Northeastern Conference, but also in the Greater New York Conference and the North British Conference in England. He has also conducted revivals and crusades in Toronto and Montreal in Canada; Leicester in England, as well as on the islands of Bermuda and Antigua. He is also a regular speaker/preacher for special occasions in places like Jamaica and St. Thomas, both in the Caribbean, as well as several cities in the United States.

Pastor Byers is married to the former Lisa-Anne Ray of Bermuda, whom he met at Oakwood College. Mrs. Byers, an Alumna of Oakwood College, is a graduate of Andrews University with a B.S. in Communicative Disorders, and Adelphi University in Garden City, New York, with an M.S. in Speech Language Pathology. She is in private practice in Brooklyn, New York.

Pastor and Mrs. Byers are the parents of three children: two sons, Stafford Henderson II, and Arthur Wentworth; and one daughter, Tsahai Ngozi. The Byers Family reside in Freeport, Long Island, New York, and are members of the A. Samuel Rashford New York Chapter of Oakwood College Alumni Association.

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## 1992 Alumna of the Year DEIRDRE CRAWFORD ROBINSON

DEIRDRE CRAWFORD ROBINSON, Class of 1987, daughter of Dr. Gene and Rozena Crawford (both Oakwood alumni), attended Seventh-day Adventist institutions from kindergarten through college. She graduated from Dupont Park SDA School as the 8th grade Valedictorian. She completed her high school education in 3 years at Oakwood Academy. While at Oakwood Academy, our honoree was very active, serving as class president, class secretary, yearbook layout editor, choir member, participant in intramural sports member of the National Honor Society, and inclusion in the National Association of Distinguished High School Students. Deidre went on to Oakwood College and graduated *Magna* 



Cum Laude with a B.S. Degree in Accounting and an A.S. Degree in Computer Science. Her academic achievements and extra-curricular involvement led to her being recruited to become a financial intern at Florida Hospital.

Deirdre has devoted much of her time to church and continues to be active: treasury department, education committee, day care board, deaconess board, and youth Sabbath School leader.

She is an avid supporter of Oakwood College and serves as alumni class agent. She also recruits nursing, medical technology and other allied health students. Deirdre returns to Oakwood's campus annually to give counsel to students about how to prepare to meet the challenges that they will face being minorities in the work place. While working as a financial intern at Florida Hospital, Deirdre developed a new recruitment program for junior accounting majors.

Deirdre is characterized as driven, dedicated, and determined. She was chosen "Outstanding Young Women of America for the State of Florida." She currently holds the position of Assistant Director of the Patient's Business Office at Florida Hospital Medical Center, in Orlando, Florida. She is a Certified Public Accountant and has a M.B.A. Degree.

One of Deirdre's burdens is to get Oakwood alumni of her generation on fire for Oakwood College. Her goal is to encourage support from her peers for Oakwood College through their investment in time, talent, and money. Our honoree credits Oakwood College with providing her with knowledge to be successful in life, as well as a spiritual experience that will help her in both this life and the hereafter. She is convinced Oakwood prepared her to depart and serve mankind, as well as, her God. She desires the perpetuation of Oakwood to make sure her brother, Gene, Jr. and her sister, Kristen can attend. She wants them to "Enter to Learn, and Depart to Serve."

## 1992 Family of the Year THE HAROLD PALMERS



HAROLD AND ROSA PALMER of Ashtabula, Ohio and their children form a unique blend of personalities, talent, and strong Christian faith. All 8 of the Palmer children attended church school. The Palmers are strong supporters of Pine Forge Academy, Columbia Union College, Oakwood College, and Oakwood College Alumni Association. The Palmer Gospel Singers were an outgrowth of the family musical training. The Christian upbringing of the children is reflected in their many accomplishments. Harold and Rose have been in the health care field for thirty years. They own and operate Mt. Pleasant and Marietta Manor Nursing Facility in Cleveland, Ohio. God has blessed and they have been able to fulfill their dream and provide the best Christian education had to offer their children.

HAROLD JR.: Graduate of Pine Forge, Oakwood College, Andrews University and a Ph.D. Candidate for Spring 1992. Served in the Army, as pastor, musician, producer, songwriter, performer. He is presently Director of Department of Human Resources (Ohio State). Owns and operates Palmer House Productions. Wife — Cynthia, son, Harold III, daughter, Tiffany.

CAROL PALMER-PARRON: Graduate of Oakwood, degree in Psychology, Teacher, Principal, Assistant Administrator, Mental Health Specialist, Certified Crisis Intervention Instructor. Pursuing Master's Degree in Counselling. Husband, Bernard.

SHERYL PALMER-GOFF: Graduate of Oakwood. Employed as Counsellor and teacher. Owns and operates Soft Silk Petal Designa. Husband, Malcolm; 2 children, Rosann and Haven Carol.

FAYE PALMER-JONES: Health care provider at Ashtabula Hospital, Concert Soloist. Husband, Wesley, Sr.; son, Wesley, Jr.

BEVERLY PALMER-HILL: Attended Oakwood: degree in Human Services, Capital University, Columbus, Psychiatric Technician for Department of Health. 2 children, David and Leslie.

BRENDA PALMER-STITCH: Attended Oakwood College. Degree in Medical Technology, Biscayne College in Florida. Employeed as Phlebotomist and Lab Supervisor, Lake Systems Hospital, Painesville, Ohio. Brenda and husband, Anthony own and operate Stitch Cleaning Service. 2 children: Carlton and Christine.

HARVEY L.: B.S. Oakwood College and B.S. Physician Assistantship, Howard University. Employed as 1st Surgical Physician's Assistant in Industrial Trauma and Sports Medicine. Presently Chairman and CEO of Muscle Dogg Enterprises, Inc. Harvey is a song writer, music producer, and keyboardist. Wife, Deidra.

KIMBERLY PALMER-GREENE: Graduate of Pine Forge Academy. Featured artist with Triumph Sound Productions. Husband, Raymond; daughter, Jessica Carol.

God has blessed Harold and Rose Palmer and their offsprings for 42 years. The Oakwood College National Alumni Association is proud to present them as the 1992 Family of the Year.

# Recipient of the President's Award TURNER C. BATTLE, III

TURNER C. BATTLE, III became Assistant Executive Director of the United Negro College Fund, Inc. in June 1974 and was appointed Secretary of the Corporation in July 1975 by the Board of Directors and holds both positions to the present.

Mr. Battle came to UNCF from Westminster Choir College, Princeton, New Jersey, of which he had been Associate Professor of Social Science since February 1971. He previously spent three years as Visiting Associate Professor and Fellow at New York University. In 1966 Mr. Battle was appointed Assistant Professor of Art Education at Elmira College, Elmira, New York, and then went to Moore College of Art in Philadelphia, Penn-



sylvania, as Associate Professor of Art Education and Consultant in Art Education. Among his many appointments, he served as Director of the Open Door Program at LaSalle University, taught from Kindergarten through graduate school and was the Executive Director of the Higher Education Coalition of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

Following his graduation from college, Mr. Battle served as an Auditor and Accountant for the Regional Accounts Office of the United States Department of the Navy. In 1955 he became an art teacher in the School District of Philadelphia. After teaching for several years, he started his graduate study in fine arts and education.

He was born in Oberlin, Ohio, on March 13, 1926 and is a graduate of Oakwood Academy and graduated in the 1950 class from Oakwood College. He has advanced degrees from several institutions. Among the institutions he attended are Temple University, Cheyney State University, Columbia University, and New York University.

Mr. Battle is a member of the Phi Delta Kappa (Education), Sierra Club, American Association of Higher Education, American Society of Appraisers, the Smithsonian Institute, and the American Museum of Natural History. He was also appointed by the President to the Selective Service System Local Board. His hobbies include cooking, walking, numismatics, and antique collecting.

Mr. Battle married Carmen Helena Gonzalez Castellanos of Bogota, Colombia. He has three daughters and one son, Carmen Rosario, Conchita Yvonne, Ann Elizabeth Mc-Andrew and Turner C. Battle, IV. He resides in Brooklyn, New York.

## Allegheny East Conference Gertificate of Merit Honoree VIVIANNE WATSON JONES

VIVIANNE ALICE WATSON JONES was born in Baltimore, Maryland. She received her early education in the city's public schools until grades 7 and 8 which were spent in Baltimore Junior Academy. It was during this time Vivianne decided to attend Oakwood Academy. Her deans — Miss Frances Blake, Miss Alma Tibbs and Miss Trula E. Wade did much to mold her character having left home at such an early age. She was often seen slipping off to the home of Mother Cunningham for further mothering.

While attending Oakwood Academy, Vivianne, submitted an essay to the "Youth's Instructor" which won an award and was published. She graduated from the Academy in the Class of 1949 and immediately enrolled in Oakwood College. Under the austere guidance



of Elder Frank L. Peterson, the tutelage of Miss Natelkka Burrell, Mr. Gaines Partridge, and Dr. Eva B. Dykes, spiced with the quips from Dr. Frank Hale and the finesse of Mrs. Ruth Mosby Greene, Vivianne decided to become a teacher emulating bits of each in her style. She graduated with the Class of 1953, *Cum Laude*, and began her teaching career.

Vivianne had met Paul Robert Jones while attending Oakwood College. The two were married in 1954. Three children were born to this union. Watson Reginald, Paula Robin (McNair) and Vivianne Rhonda (Johnson), class of '83. After a five year homemaking tenure, Vivianne spent 25 years teaching in the Pottstown Public Schools having already taught in church school and Pine Forge Academy. While teaching she completed her Master's Equivalency, was a member of NEA, PSEA, and the Pottstown Speakers Bureau. She retired early from her teaching career, but continued her volunteer career in the area of serving at the Pine Forge Academy and Pine Forge Church. She has worked with the Pathfinders for almost a quarter of a century. A few days ago, she was asked for an estimate of the hours donated to the Allegheny East's number 2 Pathfinder Club. Her answer was, "approximately 3500 at least in the last 20 years". She has completed over 60 honors and is ready to be tested for close to a dozen more.

Presently, Viv is working as a relief Dean in the Academy girls' dormitory.

To her community she gives service to the American Red Cross and the Community Services of the church. Vivianne is fond of babies and helps the young mothers with them. She is often seen with her own three "grands" when their parents permit. Viv is a strong supporter of the local Pine Forge Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association whenever approached.

Realizing the world's situation and that Jesus is soon to come, Vivianne is determined to use what time is left to do all that she can to make sure she has one star in her crown.

## Allegheny West Conference Certificate of Merit Honoree MARY JAMES

MARY SHIVERS JAMES was born in Rochelle, Georgia, the daughter of baptist parents, Rev. and Mrs. Elijah Shivers. She became a member of Ephesus S.D.A. Church in Columbus, Ohio in 1957, during an evangelist campaign conducted by Elder Charles D. Brooks. Many truths were presented to her about the new faith she had accepted. Having three small children at that time and believing what the Lord says, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." She became very interested in Christian Education. Realizing that our children are the most precious possessions, the



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commitment to have her children receive a christian education became top priority in her life.

The Lord blessed her and her husband with two other children in the years to come. More than twenty-five years of their life was devoted to their five children who attended Christian schools beginning with the local church school, Ephesus Jr., Academy, Pine Forge Academy, and Oakwood College. Her two older children are alumni of Oakwood.

Connie James Early graduated in 1972 with a B.S. degree in Home Economics and now serves in the Columbus Public School system in Columbus, Ohio, Freda Ann James, second eldest, graduated *cum laude* with a B.S. degree in Business Administration and holds a position in the Washington, D.C. government.

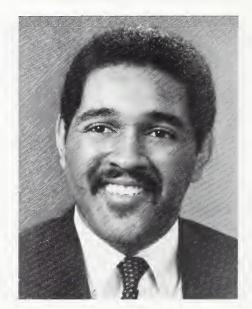
Mrs. James has been a faithful member of her church for 35 years. Her service began by singing with the Athem Choir under the direction of Mrs. Louise Neil. In the years that followed she has served in the Sabbath School Department (lower division), both, Junior and Senior Usher Boards and Deputy Director for the Pathfinders. Leadership skills were exercized as Head Deaconess, Home and School Leader, Hospitality Chairperson and Community Service Director.

She has served diligently on both School and Church boards over the years. In 1967, the Allegheny West Conference was formed in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. James was asked to cater meetings for the conference. She held the title as conference caterer for twenty years.

At present Mrs. James serves her church on several different committees.

The Allegheny West Conference is proud to present Mrs. Mary James the distinguished Certificate of Merit Award for her service and dedication.

### Gentral States Gertificate of Merit Honoree RALPH REID



QALPH REID, son of Jimmie and Ramona Reid, is a native Virigian who was introduced to Adventism through an effort held in Martinsville, Virginia, by George Jackson, just weeks before attending Oakwood College. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in June 1978, and years later attended the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law where he received his Juris Doctorate degree in 1987. He is a licensed attorney in the State of Missouri.

Upon graduation from Oakwood College, he accepted a position with United Telecommunications Incorporated/US Sprint in Kansas City, Missouri, as an internal auditor. He has held various management positions with this corporation and is presently Director of Business Services for Sprint Telemedia a division of US Sprint. He was very instrumental in establishing an Oakwood College recruitment program at United Telecommunications. Several Oakwoodites have received job offers from United Telecommunications as a result of the program and two have accepted positions with the company.

He has been an active member of the Beacon Light SDA Church since 1980. He has served as a Sabbath School Teacher, Deacon and on the Hospitality Committee. For the past five years, he has served as an Elder and the Church Treasurer.

He is married to Leisa (Thompkins) Reid, who also attended Oakwood College, and they have three beautiful children, Ryan, Jessica and Lindsey.

In 1982, he was awarded the "Black Achiever in Industry Award" by the Kansas City Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He is an active supporter of the Urban League of Greater Kansas City, the United Way, the YMCA and the Achievers in Industry. He is a member of the Jackson County Bar Association and the Missouri Bar Association.

Mr. Reid has been a member of the Monroe Burgess Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association since its inception.

## Northeastern Conference Certificate of Merit Honoree WILLIE G. BETHEA



OUR HONOREE, WILLIE G. BETHEA, is a product of Christian education having graduated from Pine Forge Academy. He later attended Oakwood College. Willie has lead an interesting life. He served his country in the U.S. Army in Special Forces where he received many meritorious awards.

Willie is a P.M.S. having graduated from the American Academy of Funeral Directors. He is married to the former Irene Peay and they are the parents of a daughter, Jackie. Both Jackie and Irene also attended Oakwood College.

Our Certificate of Merit honoree is an active and committed member of both the A. Samuel Rashford Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association and Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church in New York City. He has served his church in several capacities, including Superintendent of the Sabbath School, Chorister for the church, and assistant in the Treasury Department.

Willie is active in community affairs, civic endeavors, and social activities. He is a member of the Metropolitan Funeral Directors Association and the Epsolon Nu Delta Fraternity. His hobbies include: singing, skydiving, solo flying, cycling, and other sports. He is well-liked, very popular, and a favorite tenor soloist. He is a GENTLEMAN friend to a host of people!

Despite his busy and involved schedule in church, civic, and social activities, Willie's priority is his love of the Lord.

Northeastern Conference and the A. Samuel Rashford Chapter are proud to present Willie G. Bethea as their 1992 Certificate of Merit Honoree.

## Pacific Union Certificate of Merit Honoree DR. LILLY BOND NELSON



LILLY BOND NELSON was born in Norfolk, Virginia and attended public schools before entering Pine Forge Academy where she graduated in 1957 and received the first Student of the Year Award. In 1961, Lilly graduated with a degree in Elementary Education and during the 1961-62 school year, Lilly taught in the Norfolk, Virginia public school system.

In 1962, Lilly and Herb Nelson, an Oakwood College graduate — class of 1962, were married. They have two daughters, Rhonda and Lori, who have also chosen to attend Oakwood College. Rhonda graduated from Oakwood in 1990 and Lori is currently enrolled as a junior.

After marriage, Herb and Lilly together assumed teaching responsibilities at the Los Angeles Union

Seventh-day Adventist School in Los Angeles, California. After four years of denominational work, Lilly began working in the Compton Unified School District where she has been employed as a classroom teacher, school librarian, multicultural and language arts resource teacher, curriculum supervisor, director of instruction and curriculum and currently as assistant superintendent of instruction and curriculum.

In 1971, Lilly received a Masters Degree in Instructional Media with an emphasis in library science from the University of California at Long Beach. She furthered her studies at California State University at Los Angeles, University of Southern California, Pepperdine University and Loma Linda University. In 1982, Lilly received an Educational Specialist Degree and in 1984 a Doctorate in educational administration from Loma Linda University.

For the 1990/91 school year, Lilly received the Administrator of the Year Award for her dedicated service to the Compton Unified School District. In 1989, the Alabama A and M Pasadena, California Alumni Chapter provided an Outstanding Service Award to Lilly Nelson for her contribution to education.

Dr. Nelson has been very active within the University Seventh-day Adventist Church in Los Angeles, California and has served as Sabbath School superintendent, Sabbath School teacher, music coordinator and church council member. Dr. Nelson feels that one of her most rewarding contributions to her church came about in 1981 when she took the leadership in founding the University Bell Ringers. This organization provides a unique opportunity for the young people to develop discipline and concentration while mastering a unique musical skill that is used to enhance worhsip services and other social gatherings.

Lilly has given of her time and expertise to Seventh-day Adventist education within the southern California area by serving on school boards and various committees for both Los Angeles Union School and Lynwood Academy. These experiences have been rewarding and enriching.

Currently Dr. Nelson serves on the executive committee for the California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. She also has the pleasure of serving her alma mater, Oakwood College, as a member of the Oakwood College Board of Trustees.

## South Atlantic Gertificate of Merit Honoree MRS. MAMIE I. RILEY



MRS. MAMIE I. RILEY is a sparkling jewel in the West Broad Seventh-day Adventist Church in Savannah, Georgia. Her life reflects optimism and a steadfast faith in God. She knows that prayer is the answer to every need. Many people who are facing problems turn to her. After listening to them explain their concerns, her first words are, "Let's pray about it". She always cautions them to "keep looking up". Her greatest joy comes from sharing with others the love of God and the power of prayer.

Sis. Riley has been a member of the Adventist church for forty-four years. Her two daughters, one of whom is deceased, were reared and educated in the Adventist church and schools. Her four grandchildren are following the same pattern.

Through this faith-filled woman of God, many souls have been won, and in turn, many of them are winning other souls for the Master.

She has labored untiringly for the Anna Knight Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association. She has lent herself to its needs prayerfully and financially. Sister Riley says, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith and I am looking forward to that day when I shall see Him face to face".

Mrs. Riley is the leader of the Community Service Department of the West Broad Seventh-day Adventist Church in Savannah, Georgia.

# South Gentral Gertificate of Merit Honoree susie f. shurney



MRS. SUSIE F. SHURNEY, born in Fayetteville, Tennessee, attended Oakwood College where she completed her pre-nursing work in 1943. She continued her education at Paradise Valley Nursing School in San Diego, California, obtaining her nurising diploma and getting her RN in 1947. Mrs. Shurney returned to Nashville, Tennessee's Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital and after working at Riverside for several years returned to the Oakwood College community.

Mrs. Shurney became Oakwood's alumni chapter president in the decade of the 60's, during which time the local chapter voted to name itself in honor of former president of Oakwood College, J. L. Moran.

Since that time she has been very active in alumni affairs which has resulted in students receiving untold scholarships from the chapter with many students and residents of the community receiving financial and other aids.

During her term in office, the Alumni chapter has contributed funds for the O.C. church chimes, gave funds for baby cribs for the mothers' rooms, and took on several tasks which others thought were totally impossible such as removing the fire hydrant at Oakwood Road and Jordan Lane, having the intersection widened to prevent continuing major accidents, having the present stop light installed, improving the students/safety by having a sidewalk installed from the Oakwood library to Jordan Lane along the north side of Oakwood Road, and numerous other activities. She has also been involved in raising funds for BUSH/BECA MATCHING FUNDS.

Mrs. Shurney is a devoted wife and mother and a superb daughter. She is the mother of four children and six grandchildren.

The J. L. Moran Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association is establishing a scholar-ship to be known as the Susie F. Shurney Presidential Scholarship in honor of the contributions to Oakwood College and the Oakwood community by Mrs. Susie F. Shurney. For more information on this scholarship, contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at Oakwood College.

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# Southeastern Conference Certificate of Merit Honoree CHRISTOPHER HOWARD



CHRISTOPHER HOWARD, the third of five children of Ernest and Julia Howard, was born and reared in Orlando, Florida. There his elementary education was received at Orlando Junior Academy and his secondary education was received at Forest Lake Academy, where he graduated in 1977.

Facing the many alternatives in the realm of college education, he decided to attend Oakwood, where he spent the next 4 memorable years. During his first year at Oakwood, he was a member of the Oakwood College Choir, directed by Mrs. Alma Blackmon. And during his last two years at Oakwood, he lived off-campus in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roper, who considered him to be a part of their family. During that time he also participated in a Cooperative Education Program, which alternated quarters between attending classes at Oakwood and working at Redstone Arsenal. And in June 1981 he graduated from Oakwood College with honors.

After leaving Oakwood, he returned to his home church, Mt. Sinai SDA, in Orlando and soon accepted the position of church treasurer. Elder O. H. Paul was the pastor of Mt. Sinai and the church was in the midst of a building program which proved to be a tremendous challenge, but what seemed to be an impossibility became a reality. The sanctuary complex that was constructed is one to be proud of and the mortgage has recently been paid off under the pastorship of Elder Benjamin P. Browne. Chris has been involved over the years at Mt. Sinai as a member of the Finance Committee and the Church Board, as a member of the Remnant Choir and the Grace Singers, and as the Education Director.

Chris especially enjoys gardening and singing. And he has an M.B.A. from the University of Central Florida. He has worked several years at Jesus Behind Bars, Inc. and is currently employed as an Accountant at Christian Prison Ministries, a drug rehabilitation facility in Orlando.

## Southwest Region Conference Certificate of Merit Honoree TED ODELL ROBINSON

TED ODELL ROBINSON is the fourth of seven children born to Elder and Mrs. Sandy C. Robinson. Proud of his "southern roots," Ted was born in Orlando, Florida where he began his education in the SDA school system at Mt. Sinai SDA church school. In 1967, Ted and family relocated to Atlanta, Georgia where Elder Robinson became the conference publishing director and his mother virtuously balanced the duties of both homemaker and parttime secretary at the conference office. Ted continued his christian education at Berean Junior Academy through the ninth-grade and graduated from Georgia Cumberland Academy in 1975. When Ted received the BA degree in Business Administration/Computer Science from Oakwood College, it mark-



ed yet another milestone in the road of commitment and sacrifice traveled by his parents and six siblings towards Christian education. Both parents and seven children attended Oakwood College and are all committed to its prosperity and longevity.

The work ethic instilled by his parents prompted Ted to successful career tenures as an instructor in business education at the secondary and post secondary level and since 1987 as principal in the financial and resource services firm of TRA — Ted Robinson & Associates. In addition to providing consultation and training to corporate America, he also is mentor and friend to hundreds of youth in various community and church related organizations. Ted recently participated in OC's Youth Motivation Task Force '92 and was proud to have returned a portion of what OC has given to him.

Wherever and whenever possible, Ted promotes Oakwood College as the best of all possible choices for students seeking higher education and more. The OC network has been enhanced through Ted's activities as a *working officer* in alumni chapters in Winston-Salem, NC and Houston, TX. As chapter president, he and staff have developed OC programs in North Carolina and OC promotion weekends in Texas sponsoring as many as 100 OC students — Aeolians, OC basketball Ambassadors, and Gym Team — each year since 1990.

Ted married his OC sweetheart Beverly (Boykin) and presently resides in Houston with daughter Carmen Tabrielle (8) and son Christopher Odell (5). Beverly is a professional in the banking industry where she is an Administrative Assistant in Oil & Gas Trusts, River Oaks Bank, Inc. They will celebrate their eleventh anniversary on May 10, 1992 and plan to return to the Huntsville community within the next few years to develop and implement various business and education projects.

# 1992 Message Magazine Excellence Award ANITA MACKEY

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RETIREMENT FOR ANITA MACKEY means more work. Since she retired in 1975 from her position at the Veteran's Administration, Anita Mackey has found time to travel the world, serve the Santa Barbara Housing Authority, her state parole board, and various church organizations. Her memory is clear, and her energy is up — at 78 years of age.

"I trust the Lord to help me every day to be humble and keep my memory," she says. "My mind works like a cash register."

This year, MESSAGE Magazine is pleased to recognize Anita Mackey's commitment to service with its 1992 Excellence Award. During her 35 years of social work and subsequent volunteer service, Mackey's choice words and honest dedication have left an indelible impression everywhere she's been.

Anita Johnson grew up in Riverside, California in a single-parent home. Her mother had died when she was 10 years old, leaving her father, the six girls and three boys to keep house and help rear each other. At 19 she left to attend the University of Redlands. After she graduated in 1937 with a degree in speech, she married Harvey Mackey, a handsome postal worker 17 years her senior.

On their honeymoon, the Mackeys drove through the southern region of the United States, finding it hard to get a hotel room because they were Black, says her sister, Lola Gauff. Weary from a long day of driving, they tried one more hotel.

- "Are you Indian?" the hotel manager asked.
- "No. I am not Indian," said Anita Mackey.
- "Are you Indian?" he insisted.
- "No. I am not Indian," she repeated. He refused them a room. Down the road, a gas station attendant allowed the newlyweds to sleep in their car on the gas station lot. Finally, after squirming around a bit, Harvey leaned over to his bride.
  - "Babe, couldn't you have been an Indian for one night?"

#### Firm Resolve

Rarely does Anita Mackey lose her resolve. During her youth she met NAACP leaders, including Thurgood Marshall because her father organized the association in their city. Her father stood firmly opposed to segregation, and at one point sued the city of Riverside for not allowing one of his daughters to swim in the public pool. Mackey inherited her father's convictions and resolve. She also took great inspiration from her husband who reveled in his wife's potential and strong personality. He quietly pushed her to excel.

Mackey earned her Master's degree in social work in 1941 — rare for any woman at that time. She went to work for Provident Hospital in Chicago for three years, where she says she was happy to serve the Black community that was so in need of health care. As a medical social worker, she worked in the pediatric and tuberculosis wards.

In 1943, she heard of a job opportunity as a field supervisor for the American Red Cross. Her husband encouraged her to take the job because it provided supervisory experience. Mackey, however, displeased at the practice of segregating caseloads, insisted that she be given all cases under her jurisdiction, Black or White.

Another tempting job crossed her path in 1976 which again tested her convictions. Before she took the lucrative \$3,500-a-year job with the Veteran's Administration, she informed the supervisors that as a Seventh-day Adventist, she would never be able to work on Saturdays. She still has the letter the chief officer wrote for her, stating: "Anita Mackey will not report for work on Saturdays because she is a Seventh-day Adventist."

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

Mackey will retire this year after 12 years as a commissioner for the Santa Barbara Housing Authority. The agency plans and contracts the city's low-income housing. Mackey developed the Office of Resident Services about five years ago. Her brainchild goes beyond the government's mandate simply to provide housing and offers scholarships for youths, educational support for single mothers and arranges nursing services for the housing's seniors.

"She's a lady who can't say no to anybody," says Rob Pearson, executive director of the agency. "She's doing a million things, and probably 990,000 of them well."

In their spare time, the Mackey's managed to travel — selling art and their renovated houses for travel money. They visited 107 countries around the world, traveling on African safaris many times. Mackey became good friends with ambassadors in Ghana and knew the higher-ups in Liberia, Nigeria, and Mali, says long-time friend Lindsey Thomas.

During the couple's travels, they met a young man named Olu Adekanmbi whom they sponsored through school in the United States. Today, Chief Adekanmbi has his doctoral degree and is a college professor. The Mackey's also sponsored Adekanmbi's son, Alexander, through Andrews University, there he earned a degree in architecture. Harvey and Anita never had children of their own. But, they never lacked family companionship.

"When they got married," says Elder Earl Canson, "he promised to take care of her the first 20 years, and then she took care of him the next 20." Harvey Mackey died five years ago at age 90, and his wife still cherishes his last words to her: "I love you. You've been a good wife."

Anita Mackey's pace hasn't slowed much since. She's been to five more countries with her sister Lola. She recently wrote and published stories from her travels with her husband, *Around the World On a Needle*. And she joined the parole board two years ago. Her community church and friends describe her the same way: a strong, persistent person who cares about people.

"She inspires me," says childhood friend, Inez Booth. "You won't forget her."

1992 Message Magazine Excellence Award

ELDER CALVIN MOSELEY, JR.



 $\Lambda$ t 86 years of age, Elder Calvin Moseley, Jr., is still the spiritual, disciplined leader who entered the ministerial work force back in 1929. Through the years he commanded respect and utmost loyalty from his colleagues, his former students, and others who know him.

MESSAGE Magazine salutes Elder Moseley for 62 years of service as a preacher, teacher, administrator and musician. Along with his family — wife, Harriet; daughters, Harriet Ann Keith and Barbara Jean Warren — MESSAGE congratulates Elder Moseley for his contribution to Black denominational work.

While he retired from his second stint at teaching a year ago, he continues to counsel and serves as senior elder of the Oakwood College church. And he still tends to the work around the house, chopping wood as necessary for good fire and planting a vegetable garden every year.

Moseley's father helped mold those hard working traits when he was a child growing up in Demopolis, Alabama. He and his brother Ernest traveled with their father wherever there was new construction. Calvin Moseley, Sr. taught his plastering trade to his two sons, who worked whenever school was out.

After attending Tuskegee Institute for a term and Jackson (Mississippi) College for a year, Moseley transferred to Oakwood College. At Oakwood he completed three years of academy and college work in a year and a half and graduated. Shortly afterward Moseley completed two Bachelor of Arts degrees in history and theology from Andrews University, then Emmanuel Missionary College.

While pastoring in St. Louis, Moseley visited Shiloh SDA Church in Evanston, Illinois, for an evangelistic series. He met Harriett Slater, and after a few visits they decided to marry in 1933. "We prayed very earnestly about our marriage. I definitely believe the Lord brought us together," says Harriet Moseley.

#### The Preacher

Moseley and his wife started their lives together in a rather large district in Missouri — both the St. Louis and the Kansas City churches, 300 miles apart. Moseley's ministry in the pulpit is

earnest, frank, and Spirit-filled.

"When I was a student, the day that Moseley went to preach, the place would be packed," recalls Elder E. E. Cleveland. "His messages were substantive, very alive. The young people loved him."

Cleveland said he always admired Moseley's ability to inspire people. Elder Charles Brooks remembers the same thing. One particular Sabbath a man stood up and started down the aisle in the middle of Moseley's sermon, Brooks remembers.

"There was no appeal, no call, no prayer, no music — he just went to the front and started toward the altar." Before Moseley realized what was happening, at least 25 people had followed the man's lead.

During his years (1954-1965) at the General Conference as one of the first Black field secretaries, Moseley preached on every continent except Australia. Even three years ago, when Moseley visited his old district in Kansas City for campmeeting, he built a group of 30 into a consistent crowd of 300 during his 6:00 a.m. time slot.

#### The Teacher

Moseley visited Oakwood for the first ever youth congress in 1934, and it was then that the President J. L. Moran asked him to serve in the Bible department. Actually, Moseley was the Bible Department until after World War II, when an influx of war veterans returned home. Moseley called Elder E. E. Rogers and former student Elder C. T. Richards to help him. College archivists estimate that 90% of Adventism's Black denominational workers were taught by Moseley between 1934 through 1954.

"He was very strict with students," recalls Rogers. "He didn't let them get by with anything." Richards became the same kind of teacher — "no foolishness."

"We became very good friends," says Richards. "We were sort of alike in a way." Moseley was and is still a true friend. "If anybody was tempted to mistreat me, he would get on him," Richards says.

#### The Talent

Moseley insisted on the same attentiveness when he led students in musical performances. Although he doesn't play much now, Moseley was a talented trumpet player. His male chorus, the Alabama singers, traveled throughout the nation singing harmoniously blended hymns, spirituals, and religious classics. Moseley, who had perfect pitch, recalls C. D. Brooks, would always correct the men if they were even a shade off.

And he never compromised his tastes. The year the song "Milky White Way" came out (1948), audiences all over would request it of the Alabama Singers, says Russell Bates. Its bluesy rhythm and harmony was a favorite of everyone except Moseley, who left his director's post whenever someone requested it. He would come back after the song was over.

He laughs about it now. "No, I didn't care for that too much."

In 1977 Oakwood College completed construction on its Religion and Theology Complex, naming the department after Moseley because of the strong foundation he laid more than 40 years before. Consistently his friends and family describe him as a Christian who taught others to live as Christians. "He is very kind, true blue, and caring," Harriet Moseley says.

If you ask Moseley about his life's proudest achievements, he'll mention the religion department and the driving force behind his life: "I love the Lord, and I'm in love with the Lord's work. And the Lord loves me. Those things I know."

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#### OAKWOOD COLLEGE

#### Message Special Honoree

LEE A PASCHAL

Former National Alumni Association President — 1975-1991

M ESSAGE Magazine is pleased to recognize Lee A. Paschal for his outstanding contribution to Oakwood College, the National Alumni Association and consistent support of MESSAGE Magazine.

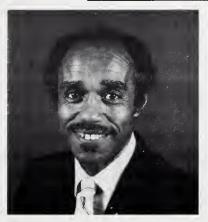
Lee Paschal retired from the National Alumni Association last year after serving the organization for 16 years. During that time, the base of alumni support has grown steadily. Attendance at the yearly alumni Homecoming Weekend increased from 6,000



people to 13,000. Events had to be scheduled at the Von Braun Civic Center in Huntsville. Also, the National Alumni Association along with the Office of Alumni Affairs raised the highest amount of alumni donations during an alumni weekend ever — \$55,000 in 1985.

"I believe the alumni have done much better in the past number of years," says Paschal. "There's still a great deal we need to do." Tapping into new alumni resources is the remaining challenge he says.

Paschal also retired last year as communication director for the Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. There he edited the North American Regional Voice. Paschal was a pastor for the South Central and Southwest Region Conferences for 20 years.



#### Message Special Honoree

SHERMAN H. COX

Former National Alumni Association Vice President — 1988-1991

M ESSAGE Magazine recognizes Sherman H. Cox as a special honoree for his contribution to Oakwood College, the annual Alumni Homecoming Weekend and MESSAGE Magazine. Cox served as the National Alumni Association's vice-president and Homecoming Weekend Coordinator from 1988 to 1991.

Cox says he is proud to see more young alumni supporting the school and involving themselves in national alumni activities.

"Great days are ahead for the alumni," he says.

Cox currently works as the Oakwood College campus chaplain and overseas the office of World Missions and Campus Ministries. He came to Oakwood in 1985 as the director of financial development. Prior to that, Cox garnered 24 years of experience pastoring twenty eight churches in the South Central Conference. His work wasn't limited to denominational work though. Cox participated in voter registration drives in Mississippi, served as the executive director of the Huntsville Chapter of the NAACP and currently works with the Civil Air Patrol. In 1969, Cox became the Youth Director of Central States Conference. After ten years of service Cox became the first youth director elected president of a conference, Central States Conference.

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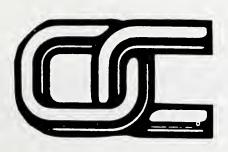
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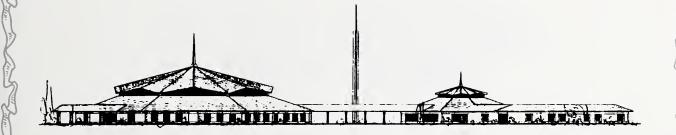
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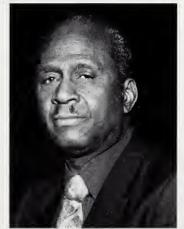
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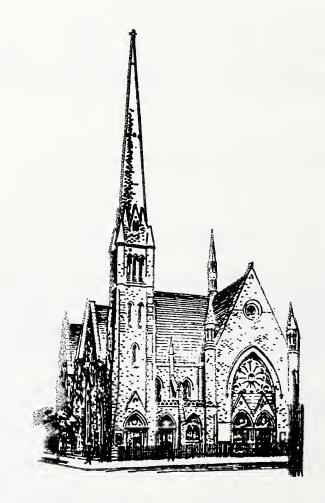
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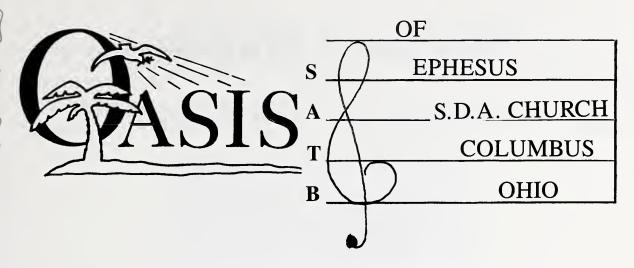


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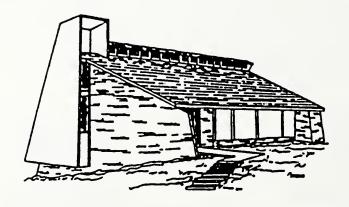
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We have followed your progress since Dupont Park School days where you began kindergarten with Mrs. Starks. You are ours, and we are proud of your many accomplishments. Continue to keep God first in your life and success will always be yours. We all love you and are proud of your being chosen ALUMNA OF THE YEAR.

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## OUR MICHELE, A VERY SPECIAL LADY On Being Chosen ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

 $\mathcal{U}$  ou have exemplified all of the sentiments of the words of this poem — the same words which we presented you on the occasion of another very special honor bestowed upon you in your early college days.

#### "IF"

If you can trust yourself though others doubt you And conquer fears that limit what you dare So you can freely give to those about you The skills and talents that are yours to share; If you can live, not for your pleasure only, But gladly lend your gentleness and grace To warm the hearts of those whose lives are lonely And help to make their world a better place... If you can balance dreams with practicality And deal in facts, but never lose ideals, If you can face the harshness of reality And find the truths that prejudice conceals; If you can be courageous when defeated And humble in the face of victory, Or give your best until a task's completed, However difficult that task may be; If you can temper facts with understanding And seek to gently guide, not to control, And neither be too lax nor too demanding, But keep in mind the worth of every soul; If you can strive, not caring who gets credit, And work at building bridges and not walls, Or hearing idle slander, just forget it And never fail to help someone who falls; If you can give your help without begrudging The patience, time and effort you impart Or look at others' weakness without judging And see, not with your eyes, but with your heart; If you can take resources that surround you And use them in the way you feel you should, You'll be a woman...and all those around you Will be the richer for your womanhood!

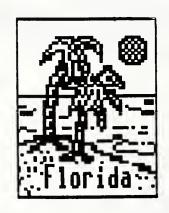
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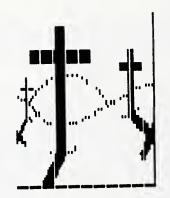
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We are extremely proud of all of your accomplishments and hope for your continued success. Thank you for your strong Christian leadership, love, protection and providing for our lives. May we all as a family unit continue to strive for the highest calling of making Heaven our eternal home.

Love to our Husband, Father and Best Friend

Leisa Ann Reid
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Congratulations to you on being selected for the SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AWARD

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We All Love You!

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# To My Wife and Our Mother LILLY BOND NELSON



Congratulations to a deserving and worthy individual for your outstanding achievements —

Your commitment to excellence in whatever you undertake is an inspiration to those who love you most.

Love always,

Your husband, HERB
Your daughters, RHONDA and LORI

### Honor to Our Mom

#### RHONDA JONES JOHNSON



Jou are our mother, our children's Pennsylvania Grandma, and we would honor you, because we are so proud of everything you do!!!!

You've made a mark in life, you have left it on others, you are an inspiration — we're glad you are our mother.

And so we honor you on this your special day. You deserve it all Mom, more than words can say.

### We Love You,

Jeffery Brian Johnson, Sr.
V. Rhonda Jones Johnson
Tia Lyndsay Johnson
Jeffery Brian Johnson, Jr.

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## Congratulations to...

### DR. LILLY BOND NELSON

Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

- Proverbs 31: 10, 28-30

**M**ay these words continue to inspire your thoughts, deeds and actions as a wife, mother, daughter and friend.

### Your sisters in Christ, The Alexes Ladies

## Congratulations and

Best Wishes to...

## PASTOR STAFFORD H. BYERS ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR

and

WILLIE G. BETHEA
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### Congratulations and Best Wishes

to...

### WILLIE BETHEA

May God continue to bless you in all your endeavors.

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THE CUNNINGHAM FAMILY John, Ruby, Jeryl and Stacey

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Best Wishes to...

PASTOR STAFFORD BYERS, J.D.

For receiving the Alumnus of the Year Award by the

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MAY GOD CONTINUE TO DIRECT, BLESS, AND PROSPER YOU IN ALL YOUR SPIRITUAL AND TEMPORAL ENDEAVORS.

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DEIRDRE CRAWFORD-ROBINSON

We're proud of you!

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Bert, Nancy, Albie Dudley

to...

OUR DEAREST MOM Susie E. Shurney

Love,

Darrell, Priscilla and Lauren

to...

## MICHELE ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

In this world of such great despair for the young, you continue to exemplify the success that can be attained when all hope is in Christ.

I am so proud of you. May God continue to bless you!

Love,

#### **UNCLE STEVE**

to...

## Deirdre Michelle Crawford-Robinson THE ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

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Mrs. Vivianne Jones

You Gave Us A Great Start.

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ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

### Michelle Crawford-Robinson

We watched you grow into a fine Christian young lady with an eye on your Lord and service to others.

We congratulate you on this another superb honor.

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Love,

YOUR FAMILY

## Congratulations to...

### DEIRDRE CRAWFORD-ROBINSON

A Special Tribute to the Greatest Mother in the World MRS. LOTTIE MONROE TYREE



Mother, you have always been my best friend, and you are always there when I need you. I know you truly love me, not only by words, but by what you do for me. You will never know just what it has meant to me to have a wonderful mother such as you are. The beautiful relationship we have, I hope will last throughout eternity. Mother, I LOVE YOU!

Your Daughter
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- Le manual Variation

### Congratulations to Honorees...

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In Loving Memory of our Dear Parents



**ELDER and MRS. JOHN F. CRICHLOW** 

For their sincere devotion to Christian education.

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To My Brother...

WILLIE "G"

THE WORK YOU'VE DONE SPEAKS FOR YOU!!!

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### SUSIE F. SHURNEY

With Warmest Greetings

from...

Carl and Lavetta Dent

## A Tribute to... MRS. SUSIE F. SHURNEY

MRS. SHURNEY is a woman with a long record of sponsoring and actively participating in church and community uplift programs that have benefited Oakwood College and the Huntsville, Alabama Community and many others.

She also initiated a program that was designed to prevent accidental death. No opposition nor difficulty discourage her determination to bring a program to expected accomplishment.

Mrs. Shurney is to be commended for such creativeness, effectiveness, dedication, and loyalty in response to human need.

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**KATHERINE WILSON TAKECARE**OAKWOOD COLLEGE — 1940's

Our Friend...

### WILLIE G. BETHEA

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Everyone who does the best he can is a hero.

— Josh Billings



Paul and Patricia Henderson Quintore and Louella Robinson

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### WILLIE G. BETHEA

CONGRATULATIONS to my husband and to my dad for being selected as a recipient of the Northeastern Conference "Certificate of Merit" for the year 1992. We are happy for you. We support you.

We love you!

Your wife, Irene Your daughter, Jackie

### Best Wishes to...

### WILLIE G. BETHEA

If nderstanding and helpful, kind and sharing and "going the second mile" when we lost our father. May God bless you in all of your endeavors.

Frances and Rose Lee Goodine

to...

### WILLIE G. BETHEA

Keep this little prayer in your heart:

- O Lord, take from me what keeps me from Thee
- O Lord, give me what brings me to Thee
- O Lord, take myself and give me Thyself

With Love,

J. J.

### Dear Willie,

Hours fly. Flowers die. New days, new ways pass by. Love stays.

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We love you son,

Mom and Daddy Goins

The Association

## Congratulations and

Compliments to...

### PASTOR STAFFORD HENDERSON BYERS I, ESQ.

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~ From ~

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### Very Special Congratulations

and

Sincere Best Wishes to...

VIVIANNE W. JONES

Your love, hard work, and our wonderful children have made a profound difference in my life, Honey!!!

Your Husband P. R. JONES

# Congratulations Mother!

### VIVIANNE WATSON JONES

YOU PASSED ON TO US TRADITIONS THAT ARE WORTHY OF EMULATION.



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Little David will enroll August 2001 A.D.

...LOVING FAMILY — We married, established a loving home and became parents

...MODEL PARENT — We struggle to become parents, an iota as Christlike, responsible, decent, and intelligent as you.

WE ARE TRULY PROUD OF YOU AND DEEPLY LOVE YOU.

David, Robin, & David Jr.

## Best Wishes to...

## WILLIE

Napawan Punyaniyomar
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on its

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- Compassionate and Caring Mother
- Dedicated and Brilliant Educator
- Loyal and Trusted Friend
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In Memory of Our Beloved Parents

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**And All Other 1992 Honorees** 

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## Congratulations and Best Wishes

to...

## MICHELLE CRAWFORD-ROBINSON

A Well-Deserved Honor

## In Loving Memory of Our Parents...

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Extend Congratulations

IN MEMORY OF THEIR HUSBAND AND FATHER



Charles L. Brooks 1923 - 1989

to
Deirdre Michele Crawford
ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

AND

Vivianne Watson Jones
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# Congratulations to...

### DEIRDRE CRAWFORD-ROBINSON

In Loving Memory of my Mother

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HER DAUGHTER
Elizabeth W. Clark

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In Memory of Our Dear Mother. . .



MRS. JANIE LOGAN

An active member of the Rocky Mountain, NC Seventh-day Adventist Church where she built a Health and Welfare Center, and held many offices.

A former honoree as "Mother of South Atlantic Conference."

Beulah Harley Lillie Roundtree David Logan
Johnnie Logan Samuel Logan

## Best Wishes to...

## Michele Robinson — Alumna of the Year

In Memory of Our Loved One...

### **DEACON EDWARD BROOKS**



Edward Brooks served the church as a deacon and in numerous other capacities.

He loved people and fed many from his table.

Wife, Daughter and Grandchildren

The American Alaman Association

## Congratulations to Dierdre Crawford-Robinson

### A Tribute to Elder Louis H. Bland



Who pastored in large cities as New Orleans, Detroit, Nashville, Baltimore and many more. Elder Bland was the First President of the Northeastern Conference in 1945. He served until 1953. The membership was 24,000 when he began. From the foundation he laid, the Conference membership has grown to over 30,000 in 1992.

## The Bland Family

## A Memorial Tribute

IN HONOR OF A VERY DEAR FRIEND, AS WELL AS AN OUTSTANDING CHURCH LEADER

# Miss Anna Knight



Best Wishes to Deirdre Crawford-Robinson Alumna of the Year

COMPLIMENTS OF

Harold D. and Mary Louise Singleton

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### Best Wishes to Michele Crawford-Robinson

### A Tribute to Elder Frank L. Bland



CLDER BLAND was Secretary-Treasurer of the Allegheny Conference from 1946-1948. He was influential in the purchasing of the Pine Forge Academy properties. He served as President of Central State Conference from 1948-1959 and president of South Central Conference from 1958-1962.

Elder Bland was the second black person to be elected a vice-president of the General Conference.

### THE BLAND FAMILY

## A Tribute to Elder L. B. Reynolds



LOUIS BERNARD REYNOLDS 1917 - 1983

We, your daughters Dawn and Joan wish to pay a tribute to you at this time for being a loving, caring father for us. You taught us by precept and example what it means to be a Christian. You were always there when we needed you. You had high moral standards for which we are thankful. Your counsel was always in love and kindness. Thank you for being the father which you were. We plan to spend eternity with you and mother.

Your Daughters — Dawn Reynolds & Joan Shelto Grandchildren — Alisa, Jeffery and Aldan 

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#### **ELDER and MRS. ROBERT LEE BRADFORD**



Among the first to enter Oakwood — Etta 1896, Robert 1898

Robert Lee Bradford, 1882-1958. Defender of the faith, builder of churches and men, dauntless and brave, true as steel.

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Lest We Forget.

EVA (Bradford-Rock)
VERA (Bradford-Braxton)
CHARLES

## Congratulations and Best Wishes...

## TED ODELL ROBINSON

Certificate of Merit Honoree Southwest Region Conference AND TO ALL THE 1992 HONOREES





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Your Daughters

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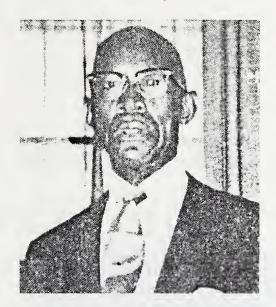


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1963-1969



She was a happy, bright and talkative child.

Her favorite Bible verse was Psalm 71: 1

Shortly before her passing, she called me to her bedside and asked me to read that verse for her. Then she said, "Mama whatever happens, I want you to always smile."

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1890-1966

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Mother was a cheerful person, who enjoyed the fellowship of the members. Both young and old loved her. Her christian attributes will ever be with us.

Your Loving Children,

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Daddy, you left so suddenly. I miss you, greatly!

1903-1992

RUTH

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Like the biblical Ruth, her legacy of love and faithfulness will follow her, for on the first Sabbath of the New Year, Jan. 4, 1992, five days before her sudden demise, on Jan. 9, 1992, Mother lovingly placed in all of her January Church offerings. Mother, I love you and I always will!

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. . . ONCE AGAIN, I would like to express my genuine gratitude to the committee members who were diligent and supportive in the publishing of the journal for our 25th Annual Homecoming.

behind the journal. As usual, her dedication, sweat and "all most" tears, helped to see us through. She was always there for advice, encouragement and long hours of typing. When the going got rough, Aunt Edna got tough — soliciting the much needed help of Eardell Rashford and Celeste Bridges, who used their typing skills and burned the midnight oil to see us through. Fernand "Buzzy" Washington, had his usual part to play, by designing the cover for us.

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